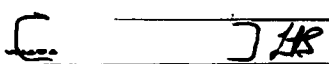


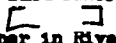




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<p>1. King Saud's battle with Jamal Abd al Nasir has reached the point where it appears to be a "fight to the death." Oriented there have been quasi-rapprochements between the two in the past, Saud appears to have gathered into his camp all the gypsies of the Near East who have a grudge against Nasir, and who would willingly do him dirt. Such types include Muhammad Said Ramadan of the Ikhwan al Muslimin.</p> <p>2. Another extremist who has been in Saudi Arabia recently is Hajj Amin al-Husayni , ex-Grand Mufti of Jerusalem. Apparently he has been instrumental in pushing Saud into a more aggressive stand vis a vis the Palestinian situation. Since Husayni's visit to Saudi Arabia, there have been reports of Saud setting up a Palestinian Government in exile of the nature of the former Algerian Government in exile. Newspaper articles appearing recently in Saudi newspapers seem to be warming up public opinion in this respect. Also, certain Saudi articles attacking Nasir have been using the theme that Nasir is really a tool of the west, and that the Israelis have nothing to fear from him, and that he hides behind the shield of the United Nations Emergency Force (UNEF). ODACID has instructed RMONSTHEAD to make representation against any attacks on the UNEF as not being in the interests of stability in the area. Ahmad Sukhayri, the Palestinian who is head of the Saudi delegation to the U.N., has been following much the same line vis-a-vis an "Arab solution" for the Palestine problem, claiming that the U.N. is incapable of doing anything for Palestine.</p> <p>3. The above would seem to indicate that Hajj Amin al-Husayni, as leader of the Palestinians, has decided that Nasir has become too moderate regarding the Palestine problem, and that he no longer should be considered as the champion of the Palestinians; it further appears that Hajj Amin has decided to capitalize on Saud's feud with Nasir as a departure point in an effort to find a more pliable champion. Hajj Amin thus is amenable to Saud as an accomplice in Saud's effort to drag Nasir down.</p> <p>4.  We thus have the rather interesting spectacle of a rather weak-minded king attacking Nasir as a communist while working in league with an extremist who, if we are to believe past reporting, has seen his way clear to collaborate with communists. Note that  reported that Hajj Amin Husayni and Muhammad Fatah  were together in Riyadh on 11 April 1962.</p>					
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<p>With the demise of Yusuf Yassin from the Saudi scene, Jamal Bey Husayni, cousin of the ex-Grand Mufti, has been taken out of retirement and again serves as advisor to King Saud. [ ] has numerous cards on the Husayni clan, and it is interesting to note how many of them have had some kind of connections with known communists, or in one way or another, have been involved in some kind of communist activity.</p> <p>a. <u>Muhammad Ishaq Husayni Darwish</u>; pro-communist nephew of the ex-Grand Mufti of Jerusalem (NLEW 3610, 18 February 1957).</p> <p>b. <u>Hamdi al-Husayni</u>, relative of the ex-Grand Mufti; associate of Darwish; <u>an avowed communist</u>; in 1957, reported to have been in contact with Viktor Kharagulev Karagulev, secretary of the Soviet Legation in Beirut and reportedly RIS (NLEW-3610).</p> <p>c. <u>Faruq Husayni</u>; attended World Peace Council meeting on disarmament in Stockholm in April 1958 (REFIDAWAS report dated 10/10/57).</p> <p>d. <u>Mustafa Husayni</u>; Director of the Saudi Agency for Navigation and Transport in Latakia; in October 1960, he and his brother, Ala al-Din (reported Ala Eddine), went to Cairo. It was possible their trip may have had a connection with a Chinese Communist mission in Cairo, which French sources said was concerned with arms for Algeria (NWJA 1007, 15 October 1960).</p> <p>e. <u>Ala al-Din Husayni</u>; visited responsables in Saudi Arabia and then went to Red China, where he concluded agreements for transportation of arms to Algeria; then accompanied his brother, Mustafa to Cairo at the same time the Chicom mission was there.</p> <p>f. <u>Jamal Bey Husayni</u>; running a Saudi spy system in Lebanon and Syria; Agents are followers or ex-followers of the ex-Grand Mufti; one of these agents was Muhammad Mir Awdeh (OSCI 2079, 28 July 1958). Provided a job for and secured the admission of Palestinian communist Muhammad Mir Awdeh to Saudi Arabia in 1955-1956 (NLEW 3610, 18 February 1957). Fritz GROBEH</p> <p>6. The point is not whether this Husayni or that is a communist card carrier, although it would seem that one or two of them may be just that; it is that in order to get the cooperation they want on the Palestine situation, members of the clan would probably be willing to deal "with the devil himself", i.e., the Soviet Union. The present stirring up of the Palestinians certainly is not to the benefit of ODYOKE, nor does it appear that any government other than the Soviet Union would benefit from the political chaos that would probably result from the abrupt removal of Nasir from the Egyptian and Near Eastern scene. King Saud's blindness may have been partially corrected from his recent visit to the United States, but his political myopia is as bad as ever.</p> <p>7. Our copy of NLEW 3610 with attachments has unfortunately been destroyed. Request that Headquarters do a machine run on the Husaynis, particularly Hajj Amin and Jamal Bey, and any other Husaynis who have had communist connections in the past, and forward this material to Jidda for study and analysis. The Saudi Government is saturated with Husaynis, and it is time we began to look at them in a more critical light. As a sidelight, it is interesting to note that most of them here in Saudi Arabia are members of the Palestine Gratitude Society, which is an excellent mechanism for the organization of all Palestinians in this country.</p> <p>Distribution: 4 - Headquarters 2 - [ ] Files.</p>		
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